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Graphic: Receipts, expenses of a legal bingo game

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HOW IT SHOULD BE DONE

Where the money comes from and where it goes in a typical bingo operation that meets state guidelines:



Income from sales of cards and other materials for traditional, sit-down games: \$13,646



Sales from instant, or pull-tab, cards: \$21,922

TOTAL RECEIPTS: \$35,568



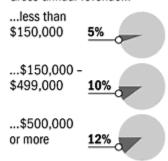


TOTAL NET: \$4,308 (12 percent of gross receipts)

HOW MUCH FOR CHARITY?

The state Department of Charitable Gaming requires that a certain percentage of proceeds from bingo games go to charity. Here are the requirements:

Gross annual revenue...



SOURCES: Virginia Department of Charitable Gaming; Virginian-Pilot research

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